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To: All Airport Users and Friends

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June 2010 Newsletter

IMPORTANT!!! HELP ... HELP ... HELP ...

City of Taunton Zoning Board of Appeals Hearing, Thursday, June 10, 2010: The Taunton ZBA is holding a hearing on Thursday, June 10th in the Municipal Council Chambers at City Hall, 15 Summer Street on a request to allow Westcoat Drive to be used as a <u>public roadway</u> to access private property, allowing for the construction of six homes adjacent to the airport. As a user of the airport, it will be in the best interests of all if you would write a letter [sample draft enclosed] and mail it to the Zoning Board of Appeals prior to <u>June 3rd</u> to assure that your letter is enclosed with the Zoning Board's meeting agenda. Correspondence received after the June 3 date will be presented in bulk format the evening of the hearing. Signing the circulating petition, writing a personal letter and your attendance at the hearing will clearly demonstrate your opposition to this variance request.

We Need Volunteer Pilots/Planes for Annual Open House and Neighborhood Appreciation Day: This year the Annual Open House and Neighborhood Appreciation Day will be held on Saturday, June 19th. As in the past, the success of this day depends on the participation of the users of the airport. All our neighbors and friends of the airport are being sent an invitation to spend part of their day with us and partake in the planned festivities. If the weather cooperates we can expect the usual large turnout. The highlight of the day is always the free airplane rides that are offered by our local pilots. The pilots are given the opportunity to offer short flights over the scenic locale to our enthusiastic friends and neighbors. The price of fuel to all participating pilots on this special day will again be available at the cost of purchase by the airport [currently \$3.50]. We are asking for your help even though you may not be able to fly. Bring your airplane to the ramp area for our static display. We have found that mingling with inquisitive neighbors and discussing the workings of general aviation enlightens their awareness of our airport. By showing your plane and sharing your flying experiences with them it helps our neighbors understand the daily operations here at Taunton.

<u>Spring Cookout for Airport Users:</u> The Taunton Airport Association's Spring Cookout was an outstanding success and a good time was had by all who were able to attend. The TAA is a longstanding association that continues to be a tremendous asset to the airport. Membership is available to anyone who wishes to join.

<u>Taunton Municipal Airport Commission Meetings:</u> The TMAC meets on the last Wednesday of every month in the Leonard F. Rose SRE building unless otherwise noted. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 30, 2010. The meetings are open to the public and all are invited to attend and participate.